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1. Work on the Giurgiu-Russe bridge, connecting Rumania and Bulgaria across the Danube, is going far too slowly to suit the Soviet experts. At the moment, work is almost suspended. This is because the floating crane in use on the Bulgarian side is almost worn out. This is by no means the first serious slow down since work began in 1952.
2. In general, Rumanian workers on this bridge are well treated and well fed. The Soviet personnel, naturally, has every comfort. The Soviet experts can go to stores specially reserved for them, and even special sport installations. Workers and technicians on the Bulgarian side are much less fortunate.

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